One CHC should cover 4 Primary health Centres, should have 30 beds, trained and qualified specialists in medicine, surgery, pediatrics, gynae and obstetrics and public health. As the establishing of CHCs comes under the purview of concerned State Governments the above criteria have not been followed strictly. As a result most of the CHCs have been established *denovo* rather than through upgradation. 12 CHCs were established in Andhra Pradesh in 1998-99 and no CHC was established in the State since then, as per information available with the Ministry.

ECT for mental patients

4858 PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT) or shock Therapy is beneficial for mental patients;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that treatment for mental patients getting shock therapy is performed under sub-standard conditions due to lack of facilities; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to improve the facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. ECT is chosen as a method of treatment for certain definite conditions such as severe depressive orders, schizophrenia and certain patients suffering from depressive disorders who do not respond to other forms of treatment such as drug treatment. In Govemment run mental hospitals and psychiatric units of general hospitals, ECT is given with due pre-cautions/adequate care. State Mental Health Authorities and Licensing Authorities in various States are empowered to monitor this type of treatment in licensed private psychiatric hospitals and nursing homes.

Films for creating social awareness

†4859. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the films shown during the last three years in Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana and Uttaranchal for creating social awareness;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) whether the goals have been achieved; and

(c) the action proposed to give wide publicity in order to make them a success?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a)The names of the films shown during the last three years in the States of Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana and Uttaranchal for creating social awareness may please be seen in the statement at Statement-I (See below). In addition, with a view to generating awareness on Health and Family Welfare issues, this Ministry has telecast films/serials on Doordarshan/satellite channels. The details of films/serials may please be seen in the Statement II (Seebelow).

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. To give wide publicity, the films are telecast on Doordarshan Satellite Channels by booking slots and to films are also released to theatrical circuits so as to reach a large number of people. The films are also duplicated in VHS format and given to NGOs and Directorate of Field Publicity so that the messages reach the remote and far-flung areas.

Statement-I

Films screened by the Directorate of Field Publicity, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting on Pulse Polio Immunization, AIDS awareness, Iodised Salt, Spacing the children. Family Welfare, Leprosy awareness etc.

(1) Chunouti

(2) Sirf Do Boond

(3) Jab Jago Tabhi savera

(4) Na Jane Kyon

(5) Ahsas

(6) Amanat

(7) Death Trap

(8) AshaKiRah

(9) Paigam

(10) Savdhan

(11) Chingari

(12) Jagriti

(13) Jhanjhal

(14) Turn Galti Mat Kama

(15) Rani Ki Kahani

(16) Ummeed Ke Saye Mein

(17) Sach

(18) Hamen Jeena Hai

(19) Misal

(20) AIDS & STD

(21) HariBhari

(22) Kyari

(23) Kaushalya

(24) Mai Nutrition

(25) Mother's Milk

(26) Raaz

(27) Turant Shishu Ahar

(28) Chhota Sa Sapna

(29) Adhe Adhure

(30) Anant

(31) Char Haturer Goppo

(32) MaDakuchiAa

(33) Dhol

(34) Kaash

(35) MautKaSaya

Statement-Il

Details of films/Programmes on DD/Satellite Channels for generating awareness on Health and Family Welfare issues.

The following films were telecast in the last 3 years on Doordarshan/ Satellite channels on F.W./RCH issues:

1. Soona Anchal.
2. Ek Hua Do Hua Bas Baba Re.
3. LagamApkeHaath.
4. Saviour.
5. Kasaba 16 episodes.
6. Sheela 26 episodes.

In addition to above, the following Programmes have also been telecast on Tara Punjabi Channel and Indira Gandhi National Open University Channels:—

1. Sheela-26 episodes—Tara Punjabi & IGNOU
2. Interactive Discussion on Reproductive & Child Health issues (12 episodes}—IGNOU
3. Kasaba (25 episodes)—Tara Punjabi & IGNOU.
4. Sarita Ki Shertein—Tara Punjabi.
5. Ghunghat Ki Aad Se—Tara Punjabi.
6. Meri Piyari Nimmo—Tara Punjabi.
7. Prayas Tara Punjabi.
8. Radha Tara Punjabi.

Films/panel discussions have been telecast on the National hook-up [which covers the States of Uttaranchal, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana and Punjab]. The films are:

1. Ahat.
2. Wahi Sach Thaa.

3. Atmaja.

4. Dolma.

5. Ahsas.

6. Nimakush.

7. Kargil Health Mela.

8. Interactive Discussion on Reproductive & Child Health issues (12 episodes).

9., 'Daman' was released in theatres in Uttar Pradesh.

In addition, video spots for 30/60 seconds duration were telecast regularly on the National hook-up on Family Welfare and Reproductive and Child Health issues.

Further, video cassttes of two films directed by eminent Directors and produced by the Department of Family Welfare, viz., 'Kairee' and 'Hari Bhari' have been provided to field units for exhibition in these States.

Alcohol abuse

4860. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the alcohol abuse has caused major health problem in the country;

(b) if so, the details of death and disabilities due to alcohol abuse since 1998-1999, till date, State-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that alcohol causes more harm to women than men; and

(d) if so, the steps Govemment propose to take to cure alcohol related diseases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.